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Burglar caught hiding in mud



Michael Williams is shown here after his arrest early Sunday morning.

Burglar drove borrowed truck to Clinton from Mound City, Ill.

Daniel Richardson

Michael Williams, 21, of Cairo, Ill., was arrested early Sunday morning after an eventful car and foot chase through Hickman County.

Kane, a police dog working with Mayfield Police Officer Brent Farmer, ended the chase, during which Williams had wrecked his vehicle and fled on foot, by discovering Williams hiding in a ditch, covered in mud.

Hickman County Sheriff Deputy Sgt. Ben Natividad was working a few hours late Saturday night/Sunday morning due to the Hickman County High School prom. At about 2 a.m., he received a call on his cell phone from a local woman who said she had caught a man breaking into her house, and SHE was following him down the road.

According to Natividad's report, Williams approached the woman's vehicle and punched IN the driver's side window. He then got into a truck and fled.

Natividad intercepted Williams, who was driving a white FORD F-150 with Illinois tags, but Williams would not get out of the vehicle and refused to show the officer both of his hands. Natividad then called Sheriff Mark Green, who alerted Mayfield PD Lt. Brent Farmer and Clinton police officers to join the pursuit.

According to Green, Williams

made it about four miles outside of Clinton before wrecking the truck and continuing his flight on foot. About 30 minutes later, Williams was found burrowed into the mud.

Officers discovered stolen property in Williams' borrowed vehicle including a TV, jewelry, tools, and a loaded 9 mm magazine.

Authorities learned that Williams had been at a party in Mound City, Ill., on Saturday night and borrowed a friend's truck. He then drove south to plunder loot in Hickman. Williams had broken into a garage, stealing more than \$500 worth of tools, before he was encountered at the house on Hwy. 51.

Green said that the Illinois owner of the truck had no idea what had happened until he saw Williams' photo on the news.

"If the homeowner had not come home when she did, we probably wouldn't have caught the guy," Green said about the woman whose name Green did not disclose. Williams is currently being held ON a \$25,000 cash bond and is being charged with Burglary, second degree; Fleeing and evading; Resisting arrest; Wanton Endangerment; and Receiving Stolen Property over \$500.

Other officers involved in the arrest were Clinton police officer Tom Dickson and Clinton Police Chief Snapper Seaton.



Photo by Daniel Richardson

GRAND OPENING - Tonia Batts (left) holds the symbolic red ribbon as her husband, attorney Jason Batts, cuts it to signify the grand opening of Batts, PLLC.

Batts, PLLC open house draws crowd

Daniel Richardson

Around 100 people poured into Batts Attorney at Law, LLC, Jason Batts' new law office at 201B South Washington Street, on Thursday morning, April 18, for an open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Family members and neighbors came together to provide refreshments of deer sausage, sausage balls, mini muffins, and donuts for visitors, and other friends helped get the office ready for the big event. Ruby Faye's Restaurant also provided sausage biscuits and bacon biscuits that morning.

Batts, who recently went through extensive training to become a JAG officer in the U.S. Army Reserve, serves as the city attorney for the Carlisle County communities of Bardwell and Arlington. The primary areas of his private practice are agricultural law, real estate, and estate planning.

Batts said most people only think of financial advisors when it comes to estate planning. "But it's important to have an attorney draft the legal documents," he added.

Batts, PLLC consists of Batts and Crystal Janes, who reported for her first day as

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Local Weather

Wed 4/24 60/41
Morning showers. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the low 40s.

Thu 4/25 66/44
Mainly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

Fri 4/26 67/55
Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 50s.

Sat 4/27 69/57
A few thunderstorms possible.

Sun 4/28 73/55
Cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 50s.

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Everyone is invited to the Business and Industry Appreciation Banquet

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in the Annual Business and Industry Appreciation Banquet which will be held on Thursday, May 2, at the Columbus-Belmont State Park activities center. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from the co-sponsors of this appreciation banquet at the First Community Bank, Clinton Bank or River Valley Ag Credit.

You can also purchase tickets at the Hickman County Judge Executive's office. The cost of the tickets is \$10.00. The awards committee has planned a large presentation of several awards to be presented to businesses and organizations, including some special awards and the Citizen of the Year award to be presented by Mr. Earl Rodgers, recipient of last year's Citizen of the Year

award. Tickets must be purchased in advance by Monday, April 29. We must know in advance for seating and making arrangements for the dinner. We sincerely hope you will make plans to attend and help honor and show appreciation for all the contributions made to the county and community by our businesses, organizations and citizens.

Daniel Richardson

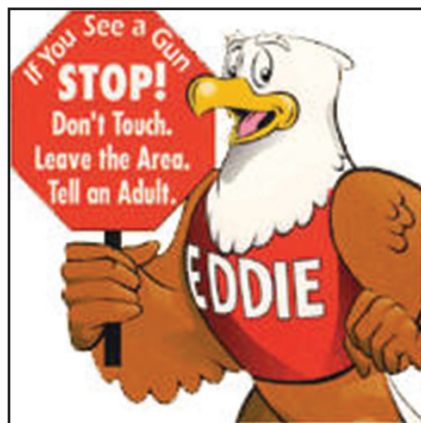
Hickman County Sheriff Mark Green and Hickman County Jailer Chad Frizzell have recently devoted several hours to students at Hickman County Elementary, going from class to class with the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe Program, talking to the students about what they should do if they ever found a firearm.

The general message of the program is "STOP! Don't touch. Leave the area. Tell an adult." As part of the program, Green and Frizzell showed the children videos of the program's mascot, Eddie Eagle, as he intervened on the behalf of safety in various scenarios where children came in contact with a firearm.

In one case, the children were in their grandmother's attic when they came across a rifle stored there. In another case, children were looking for a hidden birthday present when they stumbled upon a handgun on the top shelf of a bedroom closet.

In each incident, Eddie Eagle swooped in to educate the children about what they should do. By the end of the video, all the students were reciting the program's motto, "STOP! Don't touch. Leave the area. Tell an adult."

The Eddie the Eagle program is sponsored by the National Rifle Association and has been presented to more than 18 million elementary



students across the nation, Canada, and Puerto Rico, geared toward students pre-K through the third grade. The program was created by NRA past president Marion P. Hammer in consultation with child psychologists and elementary teachers.

Funds raised through Friends of NRA make it possible for the program to be taught at little or no cost to the local school system, and the NRA has received numerous letters from parents that tell stories of children who have found firearms and did exactly as the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe Program taught them.

Last year, a study by the Centers for Disease Control found that more than 1.7 million children live in homes with guns that are loaded and unlocked. A

STOP! Don't touch. Leave the Area. Tell An Adult! Eddie Eagle teaches students gun safety



Photo by Daniel Richardson

SAFETY - Hickman County Jailer Chad Frizzell (left) and Hickman County Sheriff Mark Green discuss gun safety with Hickman County Elementary students on Thursday afternoon, April 18.

recent study published in the Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine found 39 percent of kids knew where their parents' guns were stored, while 22 percent said they had handled the weapons despite adults' warnings to stay away.

The parents' role

"Parents have to find a balance between readiness and safety," Frizzell said, referring to the parents' role in child gun safety. "Every situation in each home is different." Frizzell said that hiding a gun from a child is nearly

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GSP BOUND - (From left) Sydney Harrison, Makenna LeBlanc, Ryan Harpole, and Alex Simmons, all juniors at Hickman County High School, have been selected to attend Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program.

Four local students named to Governor's Scholars Program

Daniel Richardson

Four Hickman County High School juniors have been selected to attend the prestigious Governor's Scholars Program this summer. Sydney Harrison, Makenna LeBlanc, Ryan Harpole, and Alex Simmons will all spend about five weeks at designated Kentucky schools from mid-June to mid-July. Once the students have completed the program, scholarship opportunities with Kentucky universities will be much more accessible. Hickman County High School principal Larry Farlee is proud of the students' achievements.

"For a school this size to have four applicants to the program and all four of them be accepted is just phenomenal," he said on

Monday morning.

According to the Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program's website, "The Program originated in 1983 as a result of Kentucky leaders' concern that the state's 'best and brightest' were leaving the Commonwealth to pursue educational and career opportunities elsewhere without fully understanding the potential of their talents at home."

The mission of the program is to enhance Kentucky's next generation of civic and economic leaders. The 2013 sessions are to be hosted by Bellarmine University in Louisville, Morehead State University in Morehead, and Murray State University in Murray. The Hickman County students do not yet know at which of these campuses they

will be spending the summer, or if all of them will even be at the same campus.

The core curriculum for this summer's session is centered around the Focus Area, a "major" subject of study, assigned according to scholar preference as indicated on the application; General Studies, an area of study assigned by staff to challenge the scholars; and Seminar, a discussion-based small group session. Emphasis is placed on respectful debate and discussion.

Various speakers and performers are invited to speak to the students throughout the course of the summer from a wide range of disciplines. The students take field trips and take part in special events as part of their curriculum.

Jackson re-elected president of Murray State fraternity

MURRAY, KY—Justin Jackson, a double major in occupational safety and criminal justice at Murray State University, has been re-elected president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity for the fall semester 2013.

He is currently serving as president and has been the external vice president, the internal vice president, and the Inter Fraternity Council representative.

The Clinton native was named the PiKA Brother of the Year for 2012

Jerome Penner, an engineering physics major from Murray, was elected external vice president. Selected as the internal vice president was Max Ben-Hun, a business administration major from

Colona, Ill.

Barret Looper, an occupational safety and health major from Arlington, will serve as the chapter secretary. He is the current president of the Inter Fraternity Council.

Chris Denewith, an accounting major from Lexington, Tenn., will be the new treasurer. Jack Örem, an agriculture business major from Hopkinsville, was elected sergeant-at-arms.

Jerry Penner, CEO of the Murray-Calloway County Hospital, serves as chapter advisor.

The Epsilon Lambda chapter was established at Murray State in 1958 with Hal Houston as its president.

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RIBBON CUTTING - Members of the community gather in front of Jason Batts' law office at 201-B S. Washington in Clinton to help celebrate the grand opening of Batts, PLLC. Batts is shown in the center with the scissors while his wife, Tonia, holds the ribbon.

Eddie Eagle From Pg. 1

impossible, and parents should store ammunition in a separate location from the firearm if possible.

Frizzell and Green passed out brochures for the students' parents with information about the parents' responsibility in teaching their children about gun safety.

"According to federal statistics," the brochure says, "there are guns in approximately half of all U.S. households. Even if no one in your family owns a gun, chances are that someone you know does. Your child could come in contact with a gun at a neighbor's house, when playing with friends, or under other circumstances outside your home."

The literature also talks

about how children can become confused about the potential lethal nature of guns when they see a character shot on TV and "killed," then see that same actor appear on another movie or TV show.

"It may be a mistake to assume that your child knows the difference between being 'killed' on TV and in reality," according to the literature.

Frizzell and Green are both certified CCDW (Carry Concealed Deadly Weapons) instructors and regularly hold local sessions to educate adults about firearm safety. Their next session will be held on Saturday, May 4. For more information, contact the Hickman County Sheriff's Office.



READING ALL ABOUT IT - HCE student Clayton Clark looks through an Eddie Eagle comic book that was handed out as part of the Eddie Eagle Gunsafe program.

The Young Brothers appear at UMC's Quest

Jennifer Nuckolls

First United Methodist Church of Clinton had special guest come entertain for Quest last Wednesday.

On Wednesday nights, children attend Quest at the Young Center of the First United Methodist Church. Kids come after school and enjoy snacks followed by a brief lesson on Christian values and beliefs.

Quest is led by Leanna Wilkerson and other volunteers from the church. It is a program intended to teach children about the Bible and living for God. This year's series was called Molly Pickens and the Rainy Day Castle; a series from The Fantastic World presented by Jared and Matthew Young, also known as The Brothers Young from the Atlanta area.

The children followed the men, Charles (Matthew) and Bill (Jared) Peterson, as they used scriptures from the Bible as a guide for each week's lesson. The children looked forward to learning from the brothers and became very familiar with their characters.

Last Wednesday, the church held a cookout for the children and parents who participated in the Quest Program. After the meal, the children were surprised when they discovered the characters from their lessons were present to put on a live show.

The Young brothers played loud music and danced around on the stage. The show interacted with both the children and parents. The brothers did a splendid job keeping the kids engaged throughout the evening.

Through all the laughter and excitement, the purpose of the event was not forgotten. Charles and Bill reminded the children the importance of the Bible and how God could help them through anything.

After the show, the Young brother spent the remainder of their time autographing and answering questions.

The show was pushed up from its original date due to the Brothers Young schedule. They are currently working on a movie with Burt Reynolds which they were very enthusiastic about.

The children are looking forward to the next series to begin.



QUEST - Jared and Matthew Young perform a live act for the youth involved in the First United Methodist Church's Quest program.

Hickman County Business & Industry Appreciation Banquet
Thursday, May 2, 2013, 6:30 P.M.
Columbus-Belmont State Park
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FALCONS Senior 2013 SPOTLIGHT
A HICKMAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Production

Feature Appearance by:
DA'JA BOWLES
Daughter of Debbie and Joel Ferguson

Activities: Science Club, Beta Club, HOSA, Spaning Club.

Accomplishments: Won an award from Berea College for Leadership, Community Service, and for being an African American.

Future Plans: To go into Pre-Dental at Murray State University.

Feature Appearance by:
CHENISE SHANTIEL THOMAS
Daughter of Paulette Thomas

Activities: H-club, BETA club, science club, HOSA, Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program, Upward Bound, FBIA, FCCLA.

Accomplishments: Maintaining a 3.7 GPA throughout junior and senior year. Was voted Class Clown, Most Beautiful, and Most Opinionable, varsity cheerleader for 2 years, and volleyball player since 7th grade.

Future plans: To attend Western Kentucky Community Technical College for two years then transfer to Murray State University and major in Nursing.

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News/Opinion

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Dear Editor,

On April 1, silver and blue pinwheels sprouted up all over Hickman County. They are signs of a Clinton Woman's Club project, supporting the Child Abuse Awareness initiative. Individuals, businesses, and churches graciously and generously donated monies and time planting a pinwheel garden or a display calling attention to and raising monies for this child abuse awareness project. The Clinton Woman's Club, thanks to the community's generosity, is very pleased with

the response and success of this program to help our local children and their families in times of need. We assure you the monies will be used appropriately and prudently for our community needs, right here at home. Since this is a month-long project, there is still time to donate whatever you can to this worthy project. There will be an opportunity to donate at the Chicken Fest this weekend at Clinton Woman's Club booth. We will have extra pinwheels and a jar for your donations or you may call 653-5561 and 653-

4707 for more information. **Stop by, make a donation, and purchase our famous Coconut Chicken at our Chicken Fest booth!** Again, thank you to the community, for your support, for your positive words of encouragement, your active involvement in the project, and the monies you have already donated to support this community. We are very proud of you! Clinton Woman's Club



Photo by Lisa Richardson

SMILE-- Clean uniformed children are thrilled to have their pictures taken and then see themselves in the small display in the camera.

Liberia School feeds body, mind and soul

Dennis Richardson

Being one of the poorest countries in the world, local folks make a living however they can.

Families set up in crowded makeshift straw markets near the town center and sell what they can...dried fish, peppers, flour, biscuits, and various seasonings and goods. Individuals manning simple roadside stands offer gas in glass gallon jugs.

Gas-powered generators provide electricity for those homes that have it.

Young men bring wood carvings to the gentle ocean front to sell. It is clear that some individuals spend a lot of time fine tuning their handiwork.

Lisa and Dennis Richardson, publishers of this newspaper, just returned from Monrovia, Liberia where they met with school leaders and elders in support of a local missionary married to a Tennessee native.

Arthur David, who is a native Liberian and founder of Ford-Madden Christian Academy there, works side by side with wife Anora, of Camden, TN. as they nourish both body and soul in a country rebuilding from 23 years of civil wars.

Despite the lack of land phone lines and public electric services, Anora and Arthur, keep the wheels turning at FMCA, a Christian school. They founded the school which now enrolls about 600 students in Monrovia in 1996.

Liberia was the first independent country in Africa, gaining independence in 1847. Since much of the money earmarked for the work there is funneled through the Camden Church of Christ, the Richardsons' visit was mainly to get a first-hand look at the operations and put faces with names.

A new government administration came into power in Liberia in 2005 and the country is slowly recovering. There are members of every faction in the new legislature and companies that left during the wars are beginning to trickle back. Businesses from the U.S., China and the Middle East are also setting up shop in an attempt to provide essential goods and services like groceries, building materials and hardware.

The JFK hospital is undergoing updates and skilled doctors starting to move back into the country. Many believe that when the confidence and pride is restored then the country will grow once more.

FMCA gets its electricity



Photo by Lisa Richardson

CITY SCENES -- Monrovia is filled with scenes of children contributing to the family income any way they can, unaware of what a quality education can do to improve their future.



Photo by Lisa Richardson

TRUSTING THE MISSION-- Arthur David earnestly works with natives and fellow Liberians to offer them what they need, not a hand-out, but honest work and a Godly education.

from two small generators that are turned on about 9:30 a.m. and stay on for about three hours, through the lunch periods. The school provides a Christian education to many who otherwise may be out walking the streets.

With no air-conditioning and just enough light bulbs to read, the school does not require a lot of electricity. A larger generator is on the school's "wish list" but the funds are not there. Yet, Arthur, a proven steward of funds that come his way, believes that he will find funding for either a 50kw or 60kw generator.

Ample large windows (with screens of course) let the breezes from the Atlantic flow through and provide some relief of the constant 90° heat.

Besides handling the funds for the work in Liberia, members the Camden church funded 13 scholarships for the 2012-13 school year. There are so many more students in need

of an education if the country is to maintain its independence and rebuild.

It only costs \$310 per year to sponsor a child's education. This includes a meal each day, possibly the only meal that child will have that day, an hour of bible study five days a week along with Christian guidance, as well as a well-rounded education giving them an opportunity for a productive life.

"We notice that on Monday's the children gobble up their meal," Anora said, "But by the end of the week they take a little longer. This tells me that they don't get much to eat at home."

To sponsor a child, contact Bill Jarnagin at the Camden church of Christ, (731) 584-6630 or call the church office at (731) 584-7374. Or, email camdencoc@bellsouth.net.

Every dime of scholarship money goes to the school, cutting out the middle man.



Photo Submitted

PINWHEELS - Kindergarten and 1st grade students helped to display Pinwheels in front of HCES for National Child Abuse Awareness Month.

My View By Dennis Richardson

Tax Day Dollars

Tax day came and went for us like usual. We filed for an extension. That only prolongs the agony for a few months. But what can we do about that but make the money and send it in? I have lost track of the changes in the tax codes and filing my own taxes would be a major undertaking, plus I would probably forget some important form that is supposed to accompany things. I do not envy the many CPAs across our country that are working overtime to get these forms done and ready on time. I can't even worry if our nation's leaders are spending my tax dollars wisely. What good would that do? I hope that they do, but know that they won't. What is troubling is watching the national debt totals rolling upward at the rate of hundreds of thousands of dollars every few seconds. The last I

looked it was well above \$16 trillion. What is next? Quadrillion. Have you ever stopped to try and count to a trillion? I think it is something like a million million, or written with zeros, 1,000,000,000,000. How tall is a trillion dollars in \$100 bills? I looked that up. A US dollar bill is reportedly .0043 inches thick. Assuming the same for a 100-dollar bill, a stack of 100-dollar bills totaling one million dollars would be 43 inches tall. It takes 10,000 such bills to equal a million dollars. 10,000 X .0043 = 43 inches. Interestingly, using these measurements, a billion dollars would be just over 3583 feet tall, and a trillion dollars would be just over 678.66 miles tall! To put that in perspective, the driving distance from Memphis to Bristol is 448 miles. From here we can be in Canada or the Gulf Coast in fewer miles. I am getting a major headache. I promise something a little lighter next week.

Q and A With Makenna LeBlanc

In the midst of all the tragedies in the news the past couple weeks, it is so refreshing to hear about people venturing out to spread hope and kindness. This week I chose to interview Chad and Melanie Barber, a married couple who recently went on a mission trip to Guatemala. **Makenna:** How did you get the opportunity to go on this trip? **Melanie and Chad:** The group we travel with is called Children of The Americas, located in Lexington, Kentucky. Each January the team travels to rural Guatemala and provides medical and dental care for the women and children. Chad and I have traveled to Guatemala for the past four years. **Makenna:** What kind of work did you do on your most recent trip? **Melanie and Chad:** We went to a town on the Pacific Coast of Guatemala called Retalhuleu. We saw about 1,500 women and children in the clinic. We had a team of 100 doctors, nurses, pharmacists, physical therapists, and dentists. We performed 130 surgeries and gave out more than 2000 prescriptions and 75,000 vitamins. **Makenna:** How have the trips impacted your

lives? **Melanie:** When I was an MSU senior nursing student, a nurse came and spoke about her trip with Children of The Americas, and that really impacted me. I knew that was something I was meant to do. I went on my first trip with COTA a year later. I took several years off with the birth of my children and started back in 2010. Chad and I can't wait for our trips! We hope to take our children Cameron and Riley with us soon. I feel like they have started to appreciate that there are so many children around the world who have very little and are in need. Cameron and Riley enjoy collecting clothes, shoes, and toys for us to take to the patients. They often find toys or items for us to give out. They can't wait to hear about the child who received their gift. I hope that they can be inspired to help those who can't help themselves and that they will serve to be the hands and feet of Jesus. That would be the greatest blessing! To be honest, Chad and I would like to move to Guatemala and work with an agency building houses and taking care of orphans.***

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"Moving Forward: Making the Most of Second Chances"
John 21:15-25

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Kevin W. Clark,
Pastor

Survivor's Breakfast is May 11

Everyone is encouraged to attend the 2013 Relay for Life Survivors Breakfast. The breakfast will take place in the Hickman County High School Gym from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 11. All survivors will eat free, tickets for others are \$5 per meal.

CommunityNews

Area Obituaries

Douglas Sumner

Douglas Tolbert Sumner, 43, of Clinton, Ky. died at 2:54 a.m. Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at his home.

He was a member of Oakton Baptist Church, a crane operator and member of Engineers and Operators Union 181.

Surviving are his wife, Ann Sumner of Union City, Tenn.; two daughters, Dakota Sumner of Lowes, Ky. and Elizabeth Sumner of Union City; his mother, Frances Poole Sumner of Clinton; four sisters, Cindy Brown of Columbus, Ky., Faith Sumner of Media, Penn., Janice Olguin of Clinton and Angela Zetter of Mayfield; and one brother, Ralph Sumner of Draffenville, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his father, Virgil Ralph Sumner.

Services were at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 18 at Brown Funeral Home in Clinton. Rev. Rev. Harrison officiated, with burial in Oakwood Cemetery.

Donations can be made to The Gideons International, PO Box 1325, Fulton KY 42041, or Oakwood Cemetery, % Eddie Roberts, 2265 Hickman Rd., Clinton KY 42031.

George Mountjoy

George King Mountjoy, 73, of Mayfield, Ky. died at 9:01 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at his home.

He was a Navy veteran, retired truck driver, was of the Baptist faith and former minister in Carlisle and Hickman County

Surviving are three sons, Anthony Michael Mountjoy of Mayfield, George Rex Mountjoy and Leonard Lee Mountjoy, both of Selmer, Tenn.; one sister, Tillie Hogancamp of Henderson, Tenn.; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two wives, Connie Joe Lishka Mountjoy and Patricia McGee Mountjoy; and one son, Tracy Mountjoy;

His parents were George Rex Mountjoy and Williema White Mountjoy.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 21 at Milner and Orr Funeral Home in Arlington. Rev. Glen Stewart officiated, with burial in Columbus Cemetery.

Commit to prevent child abuse - April 2013



Hurry! Hurry! Don't be left behind. Join this worthwhile cause and buy some pinwheels to plant in your spring garden. You will be amazed how fast your efforts will GROW and find a way to help a child and their family in their time of need.

Call any Clinton Woman's Club member to purchase your pin wheels or call 653-5561 or 653-4707.

The County Court Clerk's office will be closed Saturday, April 27 for the Chicken Fest.

SENIOR CHATTER

With Tammie

On April 26 and April 27 the senior center plans on having a booth at the Chicken Fest so come by and check out our Celebrate Home fundraiser, candy chicks, wooden birdhouses, and our foot stool raffle.

The Hickman County Senior Center will have a Rook Tournament Fundraiser May 15 at 9 a.m. to help buy carpet for our center. If you love to play Rook and would like to help a worthy cause, please come by and sign up. Entry fee is \$3 and we will be collecting donations from area businesses to provide our food, card decks, and prize money.

The Adult Day Care went to the free Healthfair at Martin Church of Christ which was sponsored by Expedicare/Lifeline. Our seniors had the best time and won 6 door prizes! Then, they ate at Long John Silvers. We are so fortunate to have outings and ones like these really benefit out seniors because they can get health screenings. We would like to thank all of the health providers that make our seniors live healthier longer lives.

We still need someone to fix one of our toning beds. So, if you are good at fixing things, please come by and help us repair this bed where our seniors and community can benefit from this exercise bed

Do not hesitate to call if you have a loved one that would like to join our Adult Day Care. We have one of our slots filled, but we can have one more opening. If you know of a senior that is 60 or older and would enjoy coming to our Adult Day Care T-F from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. please call and let us know. Our seniors participate in activities daily and have breakfast, lunch, and a snack provided.

If you are concerned about a senior or you yourself are one and need a daily hot

lunch, please come by the senior center and we will sign you up. We want to help every senior we can. So, do not hesitate to come by where we can be of service to you.

We are not able to pay for escort services for the rest of the fiscal year. When our funding becomes available again we will continue this service to our seniors. If you would like to donate your time to transport a senior to a medical appointment, please call our center and we will put you on our escort list. I really appreciate those of you that give your time to help our seniors because without you most could not get to their doctors appointments.

Aerobics are at the Hickman County Senior Center on Tuesday and Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. We can offer a class later if the need is there. It's \$3 per time and if you come twice in a week it is \$5. If you are a member in our workout facility and pay \$20 already then you can just add \$10 to that and have unlimited exercise and aerobics twice a week for just \$30 a month!

If you would like to rent our building for a birthday, anniversary, baby shower, etc., the rental fee is \$50 with a \$25 cleaning fee. The cleaning fee is returned if you leave the building in good condition. We appreciate your support.

Activities for the week
4/24 - 10:30 a.m.- Jenga • 1 p.m. - Defeat diabetes-Lifeline/Melinda Swader
4/25 - Potato Day fundraiser • 10 a.m. - Price is Right • 1 p.m. - Activity calendar meeting • 1:30 p.m. - Bingo • 1/6 p.m. - card players
4/26 - 10 a.m.- Foot doctor/ Sr. Slatick • 10 a.m. - Senior day out/lunch at Wilma's • 1:30 p.m. - Shop along at Wal Mart in Mayfield • 6 p.m. - Chicken Festival booth.
4/27 - 9 a.m. - Chicken Festival booth.

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HCHS Alumni Scholarship Fund will take order for Tee Shirts & Hoodies

The HCHS Alumni Scholarship Fund will be taking another order for Tee shirts and Hoodies. Anyone interested should contact the Guidance Office at HCHS. 653-4044

Former Pastor will be at First Assembly of God on April 28

Pastor John Carmichael, former Pastor at First Assembly of God in Clinton, will be ministering on Sunday, April 28 in the morning and evening services.

Morning Worship begins at 10:30 AM and the evening service at 6:00 PM.

Everyone is invited to worship with Pastor Carmichael and his family.

Hickman County High School announces Site-Base Election for parents for 2013-14 School Year

The Hickman County High School would like to announce to the public that it will hold its election to elect two parents to serve on the School Site-Base Council for the 2013-14 school year on Monday, May 13th. This election will be held in the library from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Any parent or legal guardian of a student who will be in grades 7-12 at Hickman County High during the 2013-2014 school year is eligible to run for the Council. The term is for one school year. Any parent or guardian who would like to run should contact Suzette Howerton, Principal Larry Farlee, Todd Johnson, or Amy Boaz at

the Hickman County High School (653-4044). These school officials will be glad to get you an application and to answer any questions that you may have about the election or serving on the School Council. (Note: If the two parents that are elected do not include a minority parent, a special election to elect a minority parent will be advertised and held at a later date.)

Deadline for parent or guardian application will be Friday, May 10 at 3 p.m.

You may pick up an application from the school office or by contacting any of the school officials mentioned above.(653-4044)

4/29 - 10 a.m. Scrapbook time.

4/30 - 10:30 a.m. Bingo bonanza • 12:30 p.m. - Movie time/popcorn.

Our Menu for the week

April 24 - 30
Wednesday, April 24 - Barbecue pork, baby lima beans, cucumber salad, strawberries sliced, wheat bread and skim milk.

Thursday, April 25 -Baked chicken -honey glazed, baked potatoes, seasoned cabbage, wheat bread, pineapple, sliced, margarine and skim milk.

Friday, April 26 - Baked ziti, tossed salad with dressing, whole wheat roll, black forest cake and skim milk.

Monday, April 29 -Baked ham, baked potato, blackeyed peas, cornbread, strawberries and bananas, margarine and skim milk.

Tuesday, April 30 - Beef stroganoff, buttered noodles, green beans, whole wheat roll, pineapple, margarine and skim milk.

Remember, Dr. Slatick will be here this Friday, April 26 at 10 a.m. to trim toe nails.

Have a great week.

Second Baptist News

By Cynthia Walton

On Wednesday night we welcomed six more members to Second Baptist Church. The three were saved at camp by baptism, and three more by letter.

On Sunday morning after specials by Tanner Dublin and Hilda Cannon, Bro. Dustin Cunningham preached on “Hell Is Real”, from Deuteronomy 32:31-35 and Luke 16:19-23. On Sunday night his message was from the same scripture. Special music was by Harold Griffin, Allen Cox and David Crowder.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Spurlin Jr. on their wedding at the church on Saturday. We wish them a long and happy marriage.

On April 28 Bro. Don Embrey from Mid-Continent will be with us in the evening service, which is also our 4th Sunday night singing.

On May 5 Bro. Dustin will be preaching at Arbor Place at 3 p.m.

Bro. Ike Murphy will be preaching in revival at Second starting Sunday night, June 16.

Happy birthday to Bud

Martin on April 22. By the way I reported daughter Melissa was here visiting, when actually she has moved back. Welcome back Melissa.

Some of the ladies fed the Habitat for Humanity workers on Saturday. Thanks ladies.

On our prayer list were the Sumner, Harrison and Mountjoy families, James/Cannon family, Austin Upshaw, Helen Holmes, James Gray, Dwayne Redman, Josh Harpole, Josephine Shadwick, George Roberts, Crystal Janes, Wanda Lock, Mildred Morrison, Eloise Harrison, Teen Garrison, Allen Tankersley, Gerald and Edna Roper, Jackie Ballard, John Ducker, Jessica Boaz, Bro. Tom Hopkins, Bob LeClere, Heather James, Sherry Jones, Ruth Jewell, Wilma King, and the people in Boston and West, Texas.

Are you and I looking forward? Luke 9:32 says, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The Wilderness Voice

By Pastor Tom Hoskins

Terrible was the tragedy in Boston. Such attacks have become almost commonplace in America. Multiple shootings, bombings,, poison letters to government leaders—all this signals a culture of evil is loose in the land. The authorities were calling for anyone who had pictures or information to help. The president vows

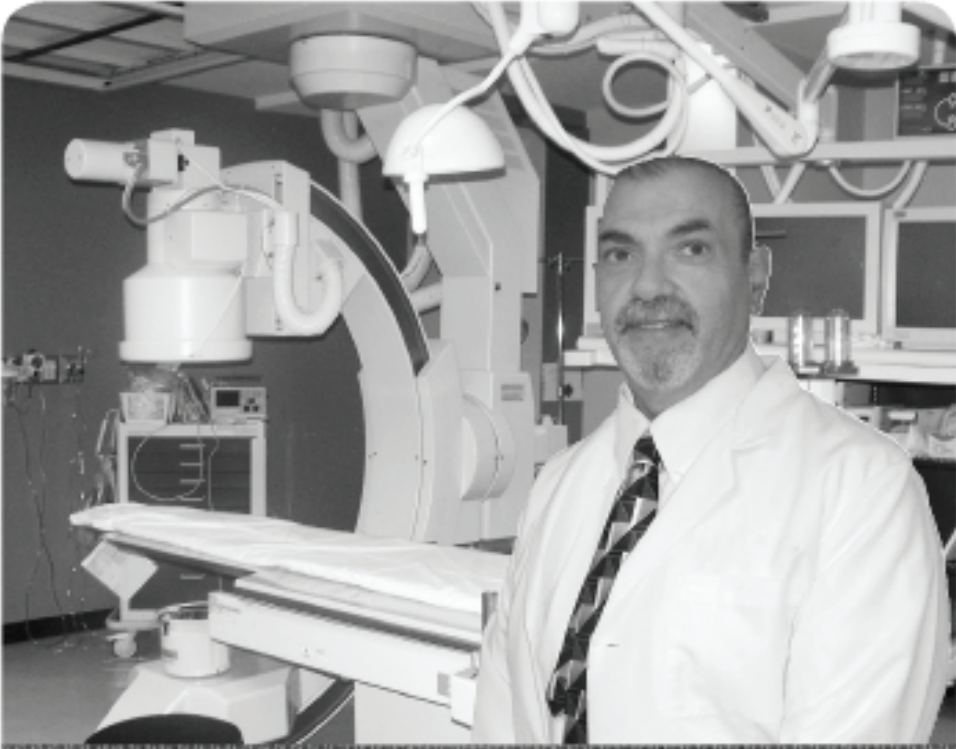
to find and punish the perpetrators. We hope that happens.

However, absent was a widespread call to prayer and return to God. The sound was that in our own power, ingenuity and expertise we can protect ourselves. As a nation we should be on our knees crying out with that leader of old. “I am poor and

needy; make haste unto me, O God, you are my help and my deliverer, O Lord, make no tarrying” (Psalm 70:5).

How long will we tarry?

“Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man. For you are my hope, O Lord God” (Psalm 71: 4, 5)



Baptist Union City welcomes new cardiologist.

Baptist Union City is proud to announce that Dr. Louis Caruso has joined our team, bringing his expertise in cardiac care and passion for preventive health and community education. A native of New York, Dr. Caruso completed his cardiology residency at the Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York. With 25 years of experience, Dr. Caruso is part of The Stern Cardiovascular Foundation. For appointments or information, please call 731-599-9575. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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Lending Library provided educational resources for local students

Daniel Richardson

When the Future Falcons, who are upcoming kindergarteners, and their parents toured Hickman County Elementary last Monday afternoon, they were shown several ways to help them prepare for kindergarten.

Among the resources provided during their tour, parents and students-to-be explored the Lending Library, located in the KAPS Family Resource Center.

The Lending Library assists parents in preparing their children for kindergarten by providing access to educational toys and games, at no cost to the parents. Childcare providers and preschool teachers may also utilize the library to assist in early childhood development.

Parents and educators check out items from the Lending Library and return them when finished. They may continue to check out and return materials as they desire and as they need different resources.

According to KAPS Family Resource Youth Center Director Vickie Batts, funding for the materials comes from the Four River Counties Community Early Childhood Council (CECC).

"The purpose of the council is to enhance the quality of early childcare and education with a strong focus on promoting school readiness, for families with children age birth to five," Batts said. "Council members represent the Four River Counties of Fulton, Hickman, Carlisle, and Ballard and also are from Family Resource Center Coordinators, Cooperative Extension Service Agents, Head Start workers, local childcare providers, Purchase Area Development District Childcare Resource & Referral, Audubon, and First Steps."

CECC is funded through the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development and is part of Kentucky's KIDS NOW initiative.

"While the materials in the library are mostly used by teachers and childcare professionals," Batts said, "we encourage parents to check out the materials to assist with the development of their children."

Even though the primary focus of the Lending Library is to provide material geared toward early childhood development, it also provides learning materials helpful to older children.

Materials in the library range from blocks and board games to books, theme boxes, and tools for language and social development. The theme boxes contain various items and instructions for use by parents to teach children about music, math, science, art, and language.

The Lending Library at Hickman County has had these instructional materials available for parents and educators for eight years, and while there is no hard data to show the exact impact of the library on childhood development, educators have given Batts positive feedback about the program.

This year, funding sources are requiring the program to conduct surveys with parents about the usefulness in the development of their children.

The KAPS Family Resource Youth Center will be open throughout the summer, and parents are encouraged to come by the elementary school and check out the materials, even though school is out of session. Parents can also call the KAPS Family Resource Center at 653-2291 to schedule appointments to visit the library or to talk with the staff there. ***



CHECKING IT OUT – Hickman County future kindergarteners and their parents toured the kindergarten classrooms and other areas of Hickman County Elementary last Monday during Future Falcon Night. Above, Aybrianna Newberry and Jatavious Brown enjoy exploring learning toys in the Lending Library, located in the KAPS Family Resource Center. (Photo by Daniel Richardson)

Area Announcements

The Mission House distributes CSFP (Cheese) Commodities monthly to Hickman County residents who are 60 years or over, meet the income guidelines, and are pre-registered. Pick up dates are Thursday & Friday after the third Tuesday of each month.

Every Monday:

• AA meets at 8 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Clinton.

First Monday:

• Masonic Lodge 131 F&AM meets the first Monday night of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Second Monday:

• Library Board meets the second Monday at the library at 4.
• **The Hickman Co. Arts Council** meets at 4 p.m. on the fourth Monday of every month at the Young Center. The public is invited to attend. www.hickmancoarts.com.

Every Wednesday:

• 7 a.m.- Community Prayer Service at First United Methodist Church.

Every Wednesday and Saturdays:

• **The Hickman Co. Museum** is open every Wednesday from 1 - 4 p.m..

• **Hickman Co. Memorial Library** Open Tuesday through Friday from 2-5 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

• **Hickman Co. Board of Education** normally meets the third Thursday of every month

• **Clinton City Council** meets first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at Clinton City Hall and **Columbus City Council** meets at 6 p.m., the first Monday of the month at Columbus City Hall.

• **Hickman County Fiscal Court** will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 13 in the courtroom on the second level of the Hickman County Courthouse.

• **Wesley United Methodist Church**, on Hwy. 1529 East, will have their community breakfast the last Saturday of each month at 6:30-8:30 a.m. . Everyone welcome.

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Schedule for week of April 29 ñ May 3, 2013.

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Tue, April 30, Mayfield, VA Clinic, 1253 Paris Rd, By Appointment, walk-ins will be scheduled an appointment. Visit the Clinic or phone 270-247-2455 to schedule an appointment.

Wed, May 1, NOT AVAILABLE

Thur, May 2, Paducah, VA Clinic, 2620 Perkins Creek Rd, By Appointment, walk-ins will be scheduled an appointment. Visit the Clinic or phone 270-444-8465 to schedule an appointment.

Fri, May 3, NOT AVAILABLE

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HC Chamber trap shoot huge success

Jennifer Nuckolls

The Hickman County Chamber of Commerce hosted its first Pistol and Trap Shoot on Saturday, April 20, at the DDI Camp in the Springhill community. About 20 adults and children attended the competition.

The men's pistol category was won by Wesley McClure with 476 points out of a possible 500. Frank McClure took second with 461, followed by Chad Malugin in third with 444 points.

The women and youth teamed up and competed together in the pistol shoot. Nathan Hartsell scored 185 out of 200, edging out his mother Cheryl Hartsell who scored 182. Tonya Batts came in third place with 173 points.

Justin Black came in first place overall in the trap shoot. Several men competed with each participant shooting a total of 50 times.

Sheriff Mark Green and county jailer Chad Frizzell were in charge of the shoots and scoring. Chamber president Jason Batts also helped direct the event.

Participants brought their



Deena Pittman takes a few shots during the shoot.

own firearms and ammunition. In the pistol shoot, one-on-one competitors were scored by hits on a target, and in the trap shoot the shooters were lined up side-by-side

A fundraiser lunch was provided by the chamber members. The chamber board and members thank everyone who made it out Saturday, with perfect weather and a great turnout.



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PLANT THE TOWN - Community members joined hands over the weekend to spruce up the town just in time for the Spring Chicken Festival. ABOVE (from left): Mary Potter, Kenzee Hannon, Eryn Bellew, Nicole Bishop, and Charity Shelton plant some flowers outside Potter's law office. TOP RIGHT: Hickman County students revitalize the Clinton Post Office with some new plantings. RIGHT: (front row) Avereer Jewell; Alyssa Moore; Jasmine Myatt; Evan Jackson; Dallas Patey; and (back row) Cassidy Luker; Jalisha Hunter; Connie Ham, Junior Beta sponsor; Nathan Hartsell; and Levi Dillon.



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Lady Falcons wallop Mayfield 12-0

Jessica Cooley

With a final score of 12-0, the Lady Falcons added another win to their list. The Mayfield Lady Cardinals played against the Lady Falcons at Hickman County on Monday night. The starting line up for the Lady Falcons included Abby Coffey, Morgan Davis, Haley Bizzle, Courtney Collier, Sarah Harpole, Kayla Boaz, Katie Woolard and McKenzie Hobbs.

The first at the plate to make a hit was Davis, when she made a hit to center field making it to first.

In the second inning, Boaz came to the plate and bunted, making it to first. Next up was Harpole who made a hit and

reached first due to an error. Frankie Richie came in as a pinch runner for Harpole. Woolard came up and bunted, she reached first. Coffey came to the plate and got an RBI when she hit to far left field, bringing Boaz home. Davis and Bizzle each brought two RBIs when they stepped to the plate.

Harpole, the pitcher, made eight strikeouts during the game. A key player of the night was Davis, who had three hits, two steals, and one RBI.

Head Coach Shane Bizzle said, "They were a little rusty tonight, they haven't played in a week."

Catch the action from this week's game in the next edition of the Gazette.

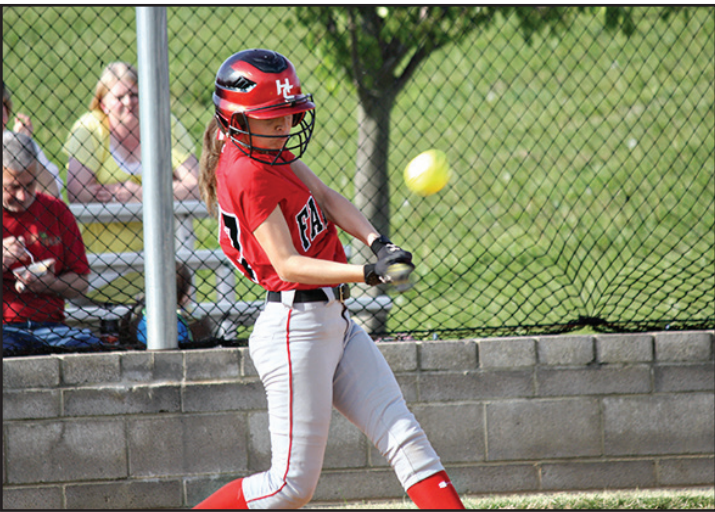


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HIT - Sarah Harpole makes contact, sending the ball into left field in Monday night's win over Mayfield.



Audrey Jenkins, Billy Speed, Morgan Koontz, and Morgan Davis

Brianne Jones, Ken Etherton, Marena Guess, Johanna Fuller

Kelsey Gargus and Taylor Grogan

Ethan Cunningham and Morgan Davis



Friday

Food Vendors -
6 p.m. -10 p.m.
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Chicken Idol -
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Saturday

8:30 a.m. - 10K Begins
9 a.m. - 5K Begins
10 a.m. - Festival Starts, open with prayer.
10 a.m. - Fun Run for Kids Begins
10 a.m. Cornhole registration
5K and 10K Awards
10:30 a.m. - Hope Harper and Hallie Wilkey Sing
10:30 a.m. - Cornhole Begins
11 a.m. - Chicken Clucking Contest
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Petting Zoo
11:15 a.m. - Wild Wing Contest Winners
Announced - Wings are donated to FFA to sell for fundraiser.
11:30 a.m. - Hope Band
12 noon - Austin Cunningham Sings
1 p.m. - Mark Hobbs and the Best Reponse Band
1:15 p.m. - Band Break - Chicken Idol Winners Sing
1:45 p.m. Band Comes Back
3 p.m. - Chicken Dance
3:30 p.m. - Brett Cates Sings
4 p.m. - MaKayla Keene Sings.
4:30 p.m. - Kathleen Webb Sings
5 p.m. Devin/Martie/Adam/Brian Band Play

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